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PRINTING AND PHOTOGRAPHY DIVISION
WEEKLY REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING
13 September - 19 September 1984I. Items or Events of Major Interest that Have Occurred
During the Preceding Week

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A. Request for Proposal (RFP) for Digital Prepress System: P&PD representatives travelled to the Boston, Massachusetts, area from Thursday evening to Monday evening to conduct discussions with those vendors whose proposals were in the competitive range for contract award for the Digital Prepress system. The discussions were for the purpose of clarifying vendor responses to RFP requirements. Written clarifications are required by 21 September. In addition to clarification discussion, an Efficiency of Operation Test (EOT) was performed by each vendor using data and information provided in August by P&PD/OL. The EOT is intended to allow each bidder to demonstrate its ability to satisfy the technical requirements of the RFP.

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B. Copier Survey: A member of Copier Management instituted a copier survey in the DDA Registry for the period 14-28 September. The logs being utilized during the survey will reveal to Copier Management which configuration of the Xerox 1048 would best suit the Registry's copying requirements.

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C. Copier Quality: An article in this week's Graphic Communications World stated that, "The output quality of today's copiers is so good it is being used to counterfeit currency. In hopes of stopping the practice, the Treasury Department plans to put imprinted plastic threads in the paper that can be read when held to light."

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D. Release 4: Atex and P&PD personnel successfully tested the WANG to ATEX communications link to the new Release 4 system. The VM to Atex link should be operational this week. P&PD personnel are also working on updating procedures for processing the Office of Central Reference (OCR) bios utilizing new software available on the Release 4 system. Initial results indicate that the processing time and manual operator intervention can be reduced once we begin processing the bios on the Release 4 system as a production job.

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E. Director of Personnel Tour: The Director of Personnel toured the main plant on 18 September 1984. He seemed very interested in our operation and was impressed with the video coverage of the DCI's walk-through of the Depot shot by the Motion Picture Television (MPTV) staff on Monday, 17 September afternoon.

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F. Micrographics: A representative met with [redacted] Office of Information Services/Records Management Division (OIS/IRMD), to resolve language on the Micrographic Survey planned for release in early October. This survey is intended to provide P&PD with current information on outstanding micrographic applications.

II. Significant Events Anticipated During the Coming Week

A. Digital Prepress: During the next week the Digital Prepress Technical Evaluation Team will make a final recommendation to the Source Selection Board for award of contract after re-evaluating the proposals, clarification, and Efficiency of Operation Tests. The source selection recommendation will be presented to the Agency Contract Review Board on 25 September.

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